

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH OF BARFORD  
HELD AT THE MEMORIAL HALL ON MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2010 AT 7.30 PM**

**Present:** J V Murphy (Chairman)  
Forty-two other electors  
**In attendance:** Cllr L Caborn (WCC)  
Cllr A Rhead (WDC) (also an elector counted in the above total)

- 1 **Minutes of the annual meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2009.** The minutes were approved as a true record. There were no matters arising.
- 2 **Minutes of the special parish meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009.** The minutes were approved as a true record. There were no matters arising.
- 3 **Minutes of the special parish meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2010.** The minutes were approved as a true record. There were no matters arising.
- 4 **Report by Cllr J V Murphy, Chairman of the Joint Parish Council.**

2009-2010 has again been a busy year – 9 routine JPC meetings, numerous Planning meetings, 3 Special JPC Meetings, numerous Working Party or subcommittee meetings, the three Annual Parish Meetings and two Special Barford Parish Meetings.

**A46 Sherbourne Bypass** – This has continued to move on at a great pace since last year and is now largely functional. Work is progressing well on the old main roundabout and traffic mostly flows well despite the works, but there have still been some serious jams, not always related to the roadworks themselves. All indications are that the project is on time and should be completed later this year with only minor works remaining off-line.

We were pleased to see the completion of the **Barford Village Design Statement (VDS)** this year and it was adopted in full by the JPC and subject to very minor amendment by WDC. It will henceforth be used as a support document for determining applications but perhaps more importantly as guidance for potential developers and householders at the earlier stage of planning design.

During the year we assisted the Glebe Hotel with funding investigation work concerning their landmark Cedar of Lebanon tree which is not looking too well. The investigation confirmed its state of health and the specialists advised detailed work around the roots to combat the compaction problems caused by parked cars. Despite acceptance of the findings and an initial agreement to undertake the required works nothing seems to have happened so far and we will need to chase this matter up if this tree is to have any significant chance of survival.

**Dog Fouling** – This remains a constant problem and although much less than in years past is still causing concern. There are strict rules and severe fines for offenders and the Dog wardens promise zero-tolerance when folk are caught. Dog mess bins are currently available in Barford but will be removed at some stage following some waste classification clarifications – dog owners are now encouraged to put their pets' waste in the standard waste or litter bins.

Speed through and past our villages remains a major issue and we have recently again been conducting Speed Checks. These are only permitted in the 30mph areas and will be supplemented later this year by use of the mobile speed monitoring signs which have been funded by the Warwick West Community Forum. Nationally there is some evidence that the message is slowly getting through and that attitudes to speed are slowly improving, all reinforced by greater detection rates with cameras and the wider use of Speed Awareness courses for those caught. When accidents do happen the speed at the time really does make a difference, especially to children and pedestrians.

Inconsiderate, and often illegal, parking continues to be an important issue at various locations. There are tentative plans to restrict parking near the Wasperton Lane/Wellesbourne Road junction and we continue to pressure the Police to take stronger action near the entrance to Bremridge Close where parked vehicles compromise safety and cause obstruction.

**All three village halls** have this year been supported by JPC grants - £944 to each – members again recognising more active management and fund raising taking place in the smaller villages, to make their halls more viable.

The JPC also gave grant support towards maintenance of each of the three churchyards.

**Minerals Core Strategy – Revised Spatial Options** – We are still waiting to see which if any of the local sites emerge as the WCC Strategic Sites as the decision has slipped backwards from last autumn with no current indication of time frame, especially in the light of the upcoming General Election and possible or probable change of government.

Similarly we are also awaiting the next stage in development of **WDC's Core Strategy** which will determine where future housing and commercial development should be located. Despite the results of earlier stages of the consultation WDC have so far elected to locate most of the growth in large blocks, ignoring much brownfield potential, and much of their proposals will impact on the areas south of Warwick and Leamington and hence on our parishes. A few extra sites have emerged during the consultation and these are currently under consideration.

Ongoing review of **Regional Spatial Strategy** has directed WCC and WDC to allocate land for accommodation of "**travellers and gypsies**". There was some alarm when an application was submitted for a private site in Stratford DC area but adjacent to Sherbourne, and much relief when that was withdrawn promptly, only to be replaced in August by further alarm that the J15 works depot site may have been earmarked for a future permanent site. This is not confirmed but we will need to keep a watch on developments of this policy.

**Affordable Housing** – We continue to search for a suitable site to provide housing to meet our clearly identified affordable housing need. We have drawn up a shortlist of possible sites and the Rural Housing Enabler is currently negotiating with landowners to establish interest.

We have been attempting to assist WDC in drawing up a generic s.106 agreement, for use when Affordable Housing is built in villages, with the aim of ensuring that such houses are prioritised for use of people with genuine local connections. Sadly we are struggling to achieve some of the conditions we consider important and this means that we will have to be very cautious in future if we are to avoid some of the problems which occurred with allocation of the Oldhams site houses.

**Conservation Area status** is generally viewed as a good thing; helping to preserve our historic and picturesque environments – but not always. In C.A.s the old sodium streetlights which fail must be replaced with whole, new and expensive CA style lamp standards with mercury lights, and even before the worst of the current recession the budget for this is just too small, so ones which fail may be out for some time. Add to this the fact that the previous inspections of street lighting have been withdrawn and we now rely on local informants to get any streetlights mended in our area.

The threat of development on **land around Barford House** has been topical again this year with further exhibitions staged by Sharba Homes. There have been Special Parish Meetings to consider this and Barford Residents' Association has been asked to oversee a truly independent survey to gauge local opinion as it was generally felt that the Sharba results could not be relied upon. Meanwhile the JPC must refrain from comment pending an actual Planning Application and/or a reliable measure of opinion.

**Allotments** – Barford JPC allotments continue in good use and we have managed to release and subdivide a few more plots which means that we are currently satisfying local demand, even though that is much greater than in years gone by.

Despite a messy start, WCC's **Travel Token** scheme has now settled down and the tokens are available, to residents of all three parishes, to the value of £25, on proof of age or disability.

All councillors have attended many meetings and generally have served their electors extremely well, working as a strong team with James Johnson our excellent Clerk/RFO. Many thanks to all for their input. Some have done much more than the expected minimum and these are particularly deserving of our community's gratitude.

## Councillor attendance records:

Name	Since May 2007 to date			2009-2010 year		
	Meetings	Present	%	Meetings	Present	%
Cllr Mrs P W Barlow	33	25	76%	12	10	83%
Cllr M P Byerley	33	19	58%	12	5	42%
Cllr R Clay	33	26	79%	12	10	83%
Cllr Mrs D S Cobb	33	22	67%	12	7	58%
Cllr Mrs M A Hayward	33	27	82%	12	9	75%
Cllr D C Morrow	14	14	100%	12	12	100%
Cllr R G Mulgrue	33	31	94%	12	12	100%
Cllr J V Murphy	33	30	91%	12	11	92%
Cllr A B Rhead	33	21	64%	12	9	75%
Cllr W Worrall	33	31	94%	12	10	83%
Cllr Mrs A Gordon	33	33	100%	12	12	100%
Cllr Mrs P L Johnston	32	15	47%	12	4	33%
Cllr Mrs P W Wilkinson	33	27	82%	12	9	75%
Cllr Dr M J Metcalfe	33	27	82%	12	10	83%
Cllr N F J Thurley	33	32	97%	12	12	100%
Cllr J T Wright	33	30	91%	12	10	83%

### 5 Report by Cllr L Caborn (WCC)

On 4 June 2009 the Conservatives won a magnificent WCC election victory with 39 seats. Unfortunately, as a result of Tom Wilson "Standing Down" and the sad untimely death of David Bryden, we are down to 37. There are 2 by elections outstanding (to be held on 6 May) one in Nuneaton and one in Studley where the Lib/Dem councillor has resigned.

As a council we are facing unprecedented financial restraint imposed on us by central government and we are being forced to make savings in the region of £20million each year over the next 4 years. With this in mind we are building on our partnership working with Boroughs and Districts, Police, NHS and voluntary sector to reduce duplication and improve efficiency (eg The Total Place initiative). We have a freeze on recruiting and only filling posts where it is essential. In the long term, as controlling group, we are looking to down size the organisation by around 20%

Notwithstanding the above we have:

- Worked to achieve the lowest Council tax rise for over 10 years(2.4%)
- Again put an extra £2million into highway projects to be selected by area committees (1/2 million is earmarked specifically for recent winter damage to roads)
- Despite one of the coldest winters in recent years we were able to keep all major routes in Warwickshire open. However, we will review our gritting policy this year.
- Seen increases in recycling thanks to our partners in the Boroughs and Districts, and moved further towards our commitment with partners to sharing energy from waste plants in Coventry (Project Transform) and Staffordshire.
- Seen an improvement in GCSE results again across the county.
- Developed early years learning and built on the success of sure start
- Started projects on both Stratford Parkway and Kenilworth Parkway as well as continuing with the first phase of NUCKLE (Nuneaton, Coventry, Kenilworth and Leamington) rail link
- Progressed towards Alcester Surgery, Camp Hill medical centre and other joint projects with NHS Warwickshire including introducing a number of joint posts/appointments thus saving money for both partners
- Completed the new school at North Leamington (C£32m) and progressed a new academy for Nuneaton
- Put narrowing the gaps at the top of our agenda and to ensure this includes all districts in the county where pockets of deprivation exist
- Increased the number of one stop shops and introduced the concept of "one front door for all our services and those of our partners where applicable
- Progressed with our Personalisation of home care agenda to encourage more choice and

independent living (cf Care Homes). Where possible at the same time we are building more Dementia homes.

Note: As of 1 April the Learning and Skills Council funding and responsibility for 16 - 18 year olds has transferred to the LA.

## 6 **Matters Arising:**

- 6.1 Potholes. The Area Surveyor plans to repair potholes en-bloc although those considered an immediate danger will be repaired as soon as possible.
- 6.2 Speed Limit on the A429. The Barford Bypass was planned for 60mph operation. The WCC A & B Road Survey confirmed the classification. There is little prospect of reversing that decision.
- 6.3 Caravan Park Banbury Road. The park is run as a private business.
- 6.4 Street Furniture Barford Bypass. The northern-most island is not illuminated and is hazardous. As a minimum reflective bollards are required.

## 7 **Report by Cllr A Rhead (WDC)**

- The Barford Village Design Statement (VDS) has been adopted by WDC with two matters excluded.
- The WDC Core Strategy will have a profound effect upon the village for the next thirty years. Electors were urged to become involved with the consultation over the infrastructure plan.
- WDC Housing Department had resisted much of the JPC's commentary on the drafting of the new generic Section 106 planning agreements for Affordable Homes in villages, but he was active in his support for the JPC's involvement and views.
- The Warwick Rural West Community Forum afforded electors the opportunity to become involved in local government but hitherto they had not taken it. He urged wider participation.
- Council Tax increase was one of the lowest in the country at 2.4%.
- The waste collection contractor was in dispute with its workforce. Every effort would be made to mitigate the effects upon households.
- WDC had provided funds to help to rescue the ailing Cedar tree at the Glebe Hotel.

## 8 **Matters Arising:**

- 8.1 VDS. He declined to give details of the excluded items (see Minute 7 above).
  - 8.2 Cedar Tree. Concern was expressed that the tree was beyond rescue and that the money would be wasted. It was thought however there was still a chance of success and in any event the plans included the planting of a replacement tree should this one die.
- 9 **Police Matters**. Despite have been invited to attend, there was no police presence at the meeting. This was deplored and the Chairman was invited to express concern to the Chief Constable. *[Text of letter at Annex A to these minutes]*

## 10 **Other Reports:**

### 10.1 **Barford Parish Plan** (Mr R G Mulgrue)

I said at last year's Parish Meeting that we were now getting to the more difficult of the actions to implement, and that a change of culture was required by many of the officers of the County council, and some members, to recognize the implications for their work of "bottom up" planning. It was no longer acceptable for them to say to us "take it or leave it", they had to engage with us in a dialogue. Obviously there will always be budgetary constraints and policy implications but officers need to talk to us to see how they can be overcome. Changing a culture in an organization takes time and some will be more receptive to it than others. We are receiving more cooperation now but it takes constant pressure from us and some officers and a few councillors still don't get it.

The main active work in implementing actions in the Parish Plan has been on highways and parking issues (*Nos 13, 24 and 25 on the sheet at Annex B to these minutes*). We had to recognize that not

everything that we wanted was going to be possible but we did get some funding from the County Council for improved warning signs (including flashing school crossing lights) and parking restrictions. This Scheme should be implemented in the next few months.

There are several actions which simply demand on-going work, for example the Village Directory, inconsiderate parking, policing, allotments and footpaths.

Some actions that are marked on the sheet as "Abandoned", whilst not being actively pursued, are raised with the County Council when the opportunity arises, though perhaps we may pursue the same basic objectives in different ways.

#### 10.2 **Village Design Statement** (Mr J V Murphy)

- The adoption by WDC of the VDS was reiterated.
- The excluded items (see Minute 8.1 above) were:
  - Land around Barford House
  - Land between village and bypass

#### 10.3 **Proposals for Land around Barford House** (Mr J V Murphy)

This matter had been the subject of two Special Parish Meetings the outcome of which was to reject the findings of the Sharba Homes survey of village attitudes to development and propose the resurrection of the Barford Residents' Association (BRA) which would be tasked with conducting an independent survey.

Mr R G Mulgrue was in favour of this approach but advised that there ought to be a fall-back position should BRA be unable or unwilling to undertake the task.

It was therefore RESOLVED: That if the Barford Residents' Association rejects the Parish Meeting's request that it carry out a survey of residents' opinions on the development of the former Barford House lands, the Parish Meeting itself appoints a working party to arrange such a survey.

#### 10.4 **Barford Shop and Post Office** (Mr M Sheard)

The village shop has now completed its first year of trading and is financially sound. Turnover and profits have exceeded budget but this is only a fraction of the picture. The shop is becoming an important part of the social structure of the village. It is a regular meeting place – especially for parents and children, it provides much more for the village than a place to obtain newspapers and provisions. The new management team of Laura and Corenna are adapting well to Life in Barford and the band of people who form the volunteers is growing steadily.

One of the best things about the shop is the reaction of customers who visit for the first time – they are universally impressed by the quality of the building, the stock and the staff. It is fitting that the Shop has won an award in a National design competition.

The Post Office continues to provide welcome postal and financial services to the people of the village.

#### 10.5 **Barford Relief in Need Charity** (Mr G Veness)

Since reconstitution of the trustee body 5 years ago the main focus has been on trying to increase spending and thereby avoid carrying forward the significant under-spending accumulated in previous years. The Charities Commission requires all income to be spent unless reserved for a proper purpose.

This focus led, at the beginning of last year, to an agreed widening of the Charity's Scheme to include not only *"the relief of poverty"* but also the relief of *"sickness and old age and the advancement of education"*.

This change enabled the trustees not just to help individuals but also to help charitable organisations in the village and two of them (the First Responders and a parents group developing play facilities at the School) have received or been pledged financial support.

Nevertheless expenditure in 2009 was somewhat down on the previous 3 years at about 65% of annual income. In the first quarter of this year the Charity has spent a quarter of its expected income, which has remained stable despite the financial turbulence of the last two years.

A subsidiary focus of trustees in the last 5 years has been to give the opportunity for change in the trustee body itself. Three trustees are appointed by the Joint Parish Council for a period of 4 years and the other four are appointed by the Trustee body itself to serve for 5 years. There is thus the opportunity for change in the trustee body almost annually and there are now only two trustees who were serving 5 years ago.

Statistics for 2009:

- 10 applicants given grants for specific needs
- 34 parishioners given £150 towards cost of Christmas.
- Income £9941
- Expenditure £6711

[The Treasurer made a statement at the meeting that since the report had been written a further £2k had been distributed in grants.]

#### 10.6 **Barford Community Charity** (Mrs M Peirson)

Barford Community Charity was established to help fund community projects for the benefit of the residents of Barford, Wasperton and Sherbourne. The charity is registered with the Charity Commission and our registration number is 1122038.

The first project that the charity supported was the Village Shop Campaign. As at the 12th April 2010 £21,134 of donations was secured through the charity. With another £4,836 from Gift Aid a total of £25,970 was given to the Village Shop Campaign. Our thanks go to all those residents of Barford, Wasperton and Sherbourne who gave generous individual donations to the charity, along with a number of organisations that also gave very generous donations.

Barford Community Charity currently has two trustees, John Barrott (Chair), and Kate Moyce (Secretary). According to the terms of the Governing Document, Mary Peirson has stood down. There is therefore a vacancy for a third Trustee. If you are interested in becoming a trustee, then please get in touch with John Barrott on 624766.

Now that the Village Shop is up and running successfully, the charity can turn its attentions to other community projects and is there to act as fund raising body for any village projects that need major fund raising

#### 10.7 **Neighbourhood Watch** (Mr I Findlay)

There are coordinators in all streets. In many cases these had proved effective in letting residents know about burglaries in the village and what could be done to deter such incidents.

Residents should contact their street coordinator if they had suggestions as to how the scheme could be made more effective.

Smartwater, recommended last year, had not proved a popular choice.

#### 10.8 **Footpath Group** (Mr J V Murphy)

The national review of footpaths was being conducted in alphabetical order, which means that Warwickshire should receive its attention by 2066.

Meanwhile, in collaboration with Bishops Tachbrook PC, efforts were being made to create a LEADER project for the renovation of the footpath connecting the two villages.

#### 10.9 **Barford Pre-school** (Mr J V Murphy vice Mrs S McVeigh (indisposed))

Barford pre-school has as you may have read in Plurality recently been awarded Outstanding following our Ofsted inspection in February. This has been the culmination of

everyone's hard work.

Alongside this fantastic achievement we are also enjoying a successful year since we last reported to the Parish with the pre-school experiencing high numbers of children with over 20 leavers this July for big school. We currently have 28 children on roll.

We have had a good fundraising year and received further donations which helped enormously. We have two events planned for the remainder of the academic year including a Bingo fish n chip supper night in May and a general knowledge quiz night planned for July.

Work is progressing with regards to the handover of the pre-school from the Voluntary Management Committee to the school Governors for our new start in September 2010. The pre-school will re-open as Barford St Peter's Pre-school within the new purpose built foundation unit at the school with Anne & Juliette forming an integral part of the foundation unit team.

We'd like to recognise the continued efforts of our dedicated team of staff, Anne Wilson, Juliette Dubrava, Sarah Hunt, Wendy Barlow, Vicky Hall and parent helpers Samantha Edwards and Philippa Mitchell.

#### 10.10 **Barford School** (Mrs A Lusty)

The time since the last village meeting in April 2009 has been a very busy and exiting for the school.

The headteacher, Mrs Ocroft, left the school at the end of the summer term to take up a headship at Wellesbourne Primary School. As the timescale did not allow us to recruit a new head for September, Miss Angela Johnson, the assistant head, was appointed as acting head for the interim period. With the support from all at school Miss Johnson has done an excellent job. During this period the school went through an Ofsted inspection which gave the school the classification of Good with many Outstanding features – this was an excellent report for the school.

The new head teacher, Mrs Annette Delaney takes up her post this week and we all welcome her to Barford.

The school will increase its intake from this September from 17 to 20 reception pupils, this will set the school new challenges in its organisation.

Many of you will be aware of the building work going on at the school, if only because of the temporary state of the path by the playing fields but this will be made good when the works are completed.

The building work will allow Barford Pre-School to come onto the school site from September into our new Foundation Unit. The Pre-School will be under the governance of the school and Pre-School staff will be part of our Foundation Unit team. This will give Pre-School a much greater sense of security for its future.

Barford School Trust continues to support the school financially where it can in by allowing the school to purchase educational aids for the children and help with essential repairs.

Currently there are 115 pupils on our role and Barford St Peter's continues to be a very successful and popular school.

#### 10.11 **Barford First Responders Group** (Mrs A Starkey)

Barford First Responders' Group was set up by Hilary Rhead and me in 2009. In the Autumn 14 volunteers from the village were trained in the use of a defibrillator and life support skills by West Midlands Ambulance Service and are now certified First Responders, prepared to be called out in emergencies to administer CPR, use the defibrillator, oxygen and other life saving support until the arrival of an ambulance. It is likely that an ambulance may not be able to get to Barford within the crucial 8 minutes necessary in the case of cardiac arrest.

Generous funding was promised by Warwick County Council, Barford in Need Charity,

Warwick District Council Community Forum Grant Fund, Wellesbourne Lions and Warwickshire Private Hospital Trust. I should also perhaps mention sponsorship in kind from the Glebe Hotel which has given us a room for our training sessions. This is an on-going offer. To all these organisations we are most grateful.

In January 2010 a small committee was formed to administer the group under the chairmanship of Tony Bayliss, to call in promised donations, to liaise with West Midlands Ambulance Service and to recruit and organise the training of volunteers. In addition to the 14 trained volunteers, we have 5 members awaiting training.

We are most grateful to all our First Responders who have already given up a lot of their time and have committed to giving more in the future. We still need more volunteers so that the load is spread and to enable us to cover all three villages.

I am pleased to be able to tell you that our defibrillator has arrived and that we shall be operational by the end of the month.

10.12 **Barford Pride** (Mr J V Murphy)

A summary of the achievements during the past year and plans for the future was given.

11 **Appointment of Chairman for 2010-11.** Mr J V Murphy was elected unopposed.

12 **Closure.** There being no other business the meeting closed at 8:56 pm.



14th April 2010

Personal for:  
Mr Keith Bristow QPM  
Chief Constable Warwickshire Police  
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Dear Mr Bristow

**BARFORD ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

I write in my capacity as Chairman of the Barford Annual Parish Meeting which met on 12th April.

When the agenda for the meeting had been fixed an invitation was sent to the Warwickshire Rural West Safer Neighbourhoods team to send a representative. The invitation has not been acknowledged and once again no representative appeared. This shocked the residents at the meeting and I was invited to bring the matter to your attention.

The Barford, Sherbourne & Wasperton Joint Parish Council has long since become reluctantly reconciled to the total lack of police involvement at its meetings. It has been argued that such attendance is not best use of police resources because the number of members of the public attending parish council meetings is small. That justification cannot apply to annual parish meetings when (in Barford's case) nearly fifty people were present.

Any claim that adequate liaison with members of the public is achieved by attendance at the quarterly Warwick Rural West Community Forum is a triumph of hope over experience. That meeting too is populated by local councillors, district and county council officers and, yes, police, but very few of the general public; indeed to date members of the public have not been encouraged to attend.

I wish you to be aware of the strength of feeling in the community over this perceived indifference by police officers towards the people they are employed to serve and protect, and I would welcome your assurance that in future annual parish meetings will whenever possible be attended by police representatives.

Yours sincerely

## ANNEX B

### Summary of Progress in Implementing the Barford Parish Plan

A Parish Meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2005 approved the Action Plan and gave the Barford Parish Plan Committee the task of monitoring its implementation and reporting on it to the Annual Parish Meeting. The Action Plan was adopted by the Joint Parish Council on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2006 and the report below shows the progress made.

No.	Action	Completed	On-going	Abandoned	Notes
1	Arrange for a village Directory to be published	√			A booklet has been distributed. This has been revised and is given by the WI to new residents; it is available on the web site.
2	Pressurise Police to prevent illegal, inconsiderate and dangerous parking		√		The Safer Neighbourhoods Team has made it a priority and has issued warnings but will issue tickets for repeat offenders. Currently they are targeting parking near the corner of Bremridge Close. To date this appears to have had limited results.
3	Ensure regular, visible Police presence and swifter investigation of offences, especially speeding		√		Some patrolling by PCSO; Mobile Police Station is regularly visiting. A speed gun has been made available to Parish Councils for speed monitoring; two series of sessions have been carried out with, hopefully, educational benefits. Speed indicators will be deployed temporarily in the village.
4	Restart Neighbourhood Watch	√			Group formed and Street Co-ordinators appointed.
5	Initiate campaign to reinstate a general store/post office and encourage other retail services	√			New shop, incorporating Post Office, opened.
6	Expand the provision of recreational & sporting facilities in the village, e.g. tennis, bowls, badminton etc.			√	A small group looked at this but received little encouragement from residents. May be revisited at future date.
7	Provide access to computers for all villagers who need it	√			Internet café incorporated into new shop.
8	Investigate cost of provision of mains water supply to allotments	√			Water supply now installed.
9	Improve appearance of JPC allotments	√			Abandoned allotments cleared; tenants who have not cultivated their plots have had tenancy terminated and plots re-allocated.
10	Encourage up-take	√			All plots now taken; some new plots created and others sub-divided to meet demand.
11	Set up following groups: Neighbourhood Watch; Footpath Development; Village Pride; Village Shop & PO	√			All Groups were set-up.
12	Demand improved maintenance of pavements, kerbs, roads and designated footpaths		√		Some work done but this will, inevitably, be an on-going issue.
13	Request local authorities to designate Wasperton and Hareway Lanes as "Quiet Lanes"		√		As previously reported, County Council policy is not to use this Government initiative; however, WCC has agreed to erect some warning signs to alert motorists.
14	Campaign for better access to river and the provision of more riverside walks		√		No progress so far but this remains an aspiration.
15	Explore possibilities of further		√		The re-opening of a "lost way" to Bishop's

	designated footpaths within the village				Tachbrook has been taken up with WCC but they will only deal with it according to its county-wide time-table.
16	Request quiet tarmac to be laid on M40 and A46		√		A46 has been surfaced with quieter tarmac. Highways Agency will re-surface M40 using quiet tarmac when existing surface is worn out.
17	Request current re-cycling scheme is extended to include plastics and cardboard	√			New WDC re-cycling scheme includes cardboard and plastic bottles.
18	Demand better maintenance of drains & sewers on Wellesbourne Road		√		Further work carried out by WCC in 2009, which has improved the situation; will require on-going monitoring.
19	Demand that the land enclosed by the bypass is not developed for residential purposes	√			Current Local Plan should ensure this, at least until 2011, and this period may be extended.
20	Open a dialogue with landowners to provide recreational woodland			√	Remains an aspiration if opportunities arise; Oakley Wood safeguarded by WDC with support from JPC.
21	Inform Racing Club Warwick that more publicity for Dial-a-Ride service is required and on a more regular basis	√			More publicity was produced. However this scheme has now ended and been replaced by travel tokens usable for taxis
22	Campaign for introduction of a Warwick Parkway taxi-bus service			√	To have chance of commercial viability a service would require use by Wellesbourne residents but their Parish Council is not interested in promoting such a scheme. Remains an aspiration should opportunities arise.
23	Provide improved street lighting in High Street and Wasperton Lane		√		Some new lighting provided in High Street and new light provided by District Council for Wasperton Lane flats; further progress hampered by budget restrictions.
24	Request parking bays in Wasperton Lane and service road at south end of Wellesbourne Road		√		Parking bays prohibitively expensive but WCC has developed scheme to address parking and visibility issues in Wasperton Lane. Implementation expected soon.
25	Promote establishment of 20 m.p.h. zones in Church Street & High Street and Wasperton Lane		√		Not possible under current Government Regulations without prohibitive expense and WCC policy is against these schemes, but are national discussions to revise this policy; improved signage and road markings in Wasperton Lane and road markings and flashing school crossing lights in Church Street will help.
26	Request introduction of cycle ways to Sherbourne and to Wellesbourne		√		Cycleway to Sherbourne complete; link to Wasperton/Wellesbourne remains aspirational.
27	Encourage the provision of affordable housing within the village		√		Affordable housing has now been built on the Oldham's site; new Housing Needs Survey completed and we are in discussion with Rural Housing Enabler to address newly identified needs.
28	Inform local housing authorities, including WRHA, of the need for sheltered housing within the village	√			WDC & WRHA informed. Awaiting opportunities.
29	Ensure that any future development is appropriate to the needs of the village		√		Is considered for any future developments.
30	Seek to work with potential developers to maximise the benefits for our community		√		The JPC should always seek to do this.
31	Investigate ways in which Barford could have its own Youth club			√	Despite publicity, there appears to be no public support and few volunteers.
32	Discuss with Dial-a-Ride possibilities			√	Discussions held but, in the absence of a

	of a regular minibus service for youth to use the facilities in Wellesbourne and Warwick			Youth Club (see above) to organise regular transport, this is difficult to implement. Dial-a-Ride scheme has been discontinued.
33	Take action to provide further recreation facilities for youth and children		√	New equipment for children on village green as part of shop development; old equipment re-located to recreation ground.